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Here's what I have so far for this week's report, culled from WIKI, etc.. Please send me any additions or changes by 1:30 Thursday if possible:

Exide Technologies: Brent Maier coordinated a conference call with Brenda Vargas of Congressman Xavier Becerra's (Los Angeles) to discuss EPA and state compliance and enforcement activities involving the Exide Technologies facility in Vernon. The facility was recently ordered to suspend activities by DTSC after receiving information regarding hazardous releases to the soil and a previous SCAQMD report of uncontrolled air emissions. Doug McDaniel (Air & RCRA Enforcement) and Caleb Shaffer (RCRA Permits) provided a general overview of the federal and state roles and regulations. Greg Gholson (CWA-NPDES) discussed past EPA and L.A. WQCB actions for Storm Water runoff controls at the site. Angela Baranco (Strategic Planning and Information) demonstrated the ECHO and EnviroFacts public databases, explaining the federal and state enforcement information for the Exide facility and other available search options, such as by location, media or sector

RTOC: Lori Lewis is facilitating the Regional Tribal Operations Committee in Region 9 on May 7-9; Kathleen Johnson will participate.

Field Operations Group: David Wampler will attend the national FOG workgroup meeting in Denver May 8-9.

HDOH: Hawaii Department of Health will visit Region 9 May 14-15 to discuss grant progress and planning. The Enforcement Division has sessions scheduled to discuss compliance, enforcement, and data management issues on both days.

Division Director's Leave: Kathleen Johnson will be on annual leave May 13-June 3,

returning June 4. Amy Miller will be acting for the bulk of this period.

FIFRA Inspection in Rio Linda – Glenda Dugan, FIFRA Imports Enforcement Coordinator, was contacted by RiceCo for guidance on importing pesticides from a Guatemala facility. Based on a review of existing data this shipment was flagged for inspections as no data for 2011 or 2012 production years had been provided by that facility (since received). On May 6, 2013, EPA inspectors Bill Lee, Lawrence Torres and Estrella Armijo inspected the recently imported herbicide for use on rice, “Super Wham! 80DF-CA.” The purpose of the inspection was to ensure the most current EPA accepted label was being used which included more restrictive language than previous labels. The product was imported to the Port of Oakland and had been mistakenly released to a Wilbur-Ellis facility in Rio Linda, CA where the inspection was conducted. No violations were observed. (Lee, 7-4185).

SDWA/UIC Class V Inspections: (Info forthcoming..Roberto or Arlene?)---These were conducted this week....